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RECEPTOR POLYMORPHISMS AS INDICATORS  
OF SUBJECT OUTCOME

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This paper responds to the Office Action (Restriction Requirement) dated November 24, 2009.

Amendments to the claims appear in the Listing of Claims at page 2 of this paper.

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